

## Dear State Employee:

This year at the Indiana State House, we will continue the tradition of placing a large coniferous tree in the Rotunda. Your assistance is requested in helping us to decorate this special tree. This year's theme is "Pets Across Indiana!" We ask that your children create an ornament that celebrates a special pet that they have known or maybe even one that they would like to have! We will make sure the ornament is put on the State House tree or a tree at the Governor's Residence.

## **Ornaments:**

- Pet Ornaments should be no larger than eight square inches.
- Pet Ornaments can be decorated with any available materials—paper, poster board, papier-mâché, pipe cleaners, wood, yarn, photographs, etc.
- No breakable or perishable items, please.
- A hook or way to hang the ornament from a branch should be attached.
- Ornaments will not be returned.

## Ornaments can be mailed or delivered to the address below:

State House Tour Office 200 West Washington Street, Room 220 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

The official **State Holiday Tree Trim will take place on Friday, December 13**<sup>th.</sup> The kick off program will be held at 11:00 A.M. in the State House Rotunda. Festivities will include the official tree trimming by the students, special guests including First Lady Karen Pence, and holiday music.

Photos from the State Holiday Tree Trim can be viewed after December 16<sup>th</sup> on the First Lady's website at <a href="www.in.gov/gov/firstlady">www.in.gov/gov/firstlady</a>. Click on photo gallery.

Best wishes for a happy and peaceful holiday season.

Sincerely, The 2013 Tree Trim Committee First Lady Karen Pence, Honorary Chair